

**MINUTES OF THE TELECONFERENCE
OF THE
BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**

September 28, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Wayne Stuberg called a teleconference of the Board of Physical Therapy to order on Wednesday, September 28, 2005, 9:10 a.m. The teleconference took place with the Credentialing Division's staff located in the Training Center, 3rd Floor, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska and the Board Members and staff located at their respective businesses and homes. This teleconference was duly publicized by distribution of the Notice of Meeting and Agenda ten (10) days prior to the meeting and posting the agenda at the entrance of the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure at least twenty-four (24) hours before the meeting. The teleconference was held for the purpose of expediting board business.

Roll Call

The following Board Members and HHSS Staff participated in the teleconference:

Wayne Stuberg, Chairperson
Karen Brown, Vice-chair, (Joined the Call at 9:15 a.m.)
Susan Jeffrey, Secretary
Raymond Frew, Lay Member

Diane Hansmeyer, Section Administrator
Delores James, Credentialing Coordinator

Approval of Agenda

Stuberg moved, seconded by Jeffrey, for adoption of the agenda. Voting aye: Stuberg, Jeffrey and Frew. Voting nay: None. Brown absent and not voting. Motion carried.

**BILLING FOR PARAPROFESSIONAL
SERVICES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Hansmeyer stated that she met with Dr. Schaefer to discuss the letter that the Board want to send to special education directors and licensed physical therapist in order to address the problem of billing Medicaid for physical therapy services that are being provided by paraprofessionals. Hansmeyer and Dr. Schaefer met with Dick Nelson and he informed them that HHSS was in the process of sending a letter.

Hansmeyer called Stuberg to update him on her meetings and he was of the opinion that the Board might want to delay sending their letter out until they had a chance to read and discuss the letter sent by HHSS.

After reviewing the letter from HHSS the board decided that the letter did not adequately address their concerns, therefore they would send their letter out

Stuberg moved, seconded by Jeffrey, that the letter be sent to all special education directors and licensed physical therapists pending approval of Board members to revisions of the letter. Voting aye: Stuberg, Brown, Jeffrey and Frew. Voting nay: None. Not voting: None. Motion carried.

Stuberg will make revisions to the original letter, which will reference the HHSS letter and send to Board members to review.

LAP REPORT (Closed Session)

Stuberg moved, seconded by Jeffrey, to move into closed session at 9:57 a.m. for the purpose of Discussing a LAP report and protect the reputation of individuals. Voting aye: Jeffrey, Frew, Stuberg and Brown. Voting nay: None. Not voting: None. Motion carried.

Out of Closed Session

Jeffrey moved, seconded by Brown, to come out of closed session at 10:00 a.m. Voting aye: Frew, Brown, Jeffrey and Stuberg. Voting nay: None. Not Voting: None. Motion Carried.

Stuberg moved, seconded by Jeffrey, to approve a probationary license for Kimberly Ahlers with the following conditions: That the probationary period last for two years, that she submit to random blood testing, that she abstain from alcohol, that she attend LAP counseling sessions; and that her supervisor submit quarterly reports. Voting aye: Brown, Stuberg, Frew and Jeffrey. Voting nay: None. Not voting: None. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the teleconference was adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Jeffrey, Secretary